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TITLE:

IMPROVED APPARATUS FOR ELECTROPORATION MEDIATED DELIVERY OF DRUGS AND GENES

This application is a continuation of and claims the benefit under 35 USC § 120 of prior U.S. Application Serial No. 09/861,016, filed May 18, 2001, which is a continuation of 09/177,678, filed October 22, 1998, issued June 5, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,241,701; which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/905,240, filed August 1, 1997, issued April 25, 2000 as U.S. Patent No. 6,055,453, all of the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required for a filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b):

Pages of Specification	38
Pages of Claims	6
Pages of Abstract	1
Pages of Declaration (unsigned)	2
Pages of Drawings (formal)	19

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Application (45 pages)

Formal Drawings (19 pages)

Declaration (2 pages, unsigned)

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